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NEWS.

PROFESSOR EDUARD TANGL, University of Czernowitz, died recently at the age of fifty-seven years.

PROFESSOR LEO ERRERA, director of the Botanical Institute of the University of Brussels, died August 1 at the age of forty-seven years.

THE TOTAL APPROPRIATION for the U. S. Department of Agriculture for the year 1905 is \$5,944,540. This includes \$1,337,740 for the Weather Bureau.

DR. ROBERT BRAITHWAITE completed on his eighty-first birthday his monograph, the *British Moss Flora*, on which he has been engaged for twenty-five years.

EDWARD W. BERRY is studying the fossil flora of Maryland. His new address is in care of the Maryland Geological Survey, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore.

THE NEW YORK Botanical Garden has purchased the entire mycological collections of Mr. GEORGE MASSEE, on which largely was based his work on *British Fungi*.

IT WOULD NOT be amiss for the editor of the *Zeitschrift für Pflanzenkrankheiten* to revise the list of collaborators on its title page. One at least has been dead these ten years.

WE LEARN from the *Journal of Botany* that Mr. GEORGE MURRAY has been compelled by failing health to resign his curatorship in the department of botany of the British Museum.

AN ADMIRABLE SUMMARY of the relation of plant physiology to the development of agriculture is presented by ALBERT F. WOODS, pathologist and physiologist of the Bureau of Plant Industry, in the Yearbook of the U. S. Department of Agriculture for 1904 (pp. 119-132), just issued.

THE ITALIAN Botanical Society devoted a special session at its recent general meeting in September to the memory of Professor F. DELPINO, of Naples, who died last May. The meeting was held in Vallombrosa, where DELPINO was formerly professor. A eulogy was pronounced by Professor BORZI, who was earlier his pupil and then his assistant.

PAUL PAREY (Berlin) announces that the third edition of the *Handbuch der Pflanzenkrankheiten* is in preparation by Professor Dr. P. SORAUER, who has associated with him Professor Dr. G. LINDAU and Dr. L. REH. They will treat respectively the plant and animal parasites which occasion diseases in plants, the original author, Dr. SORAUER, confining himself in this edition to the diseases due to conditions of weather, position, soil, and cultivation. The new work will appear in three volumes.